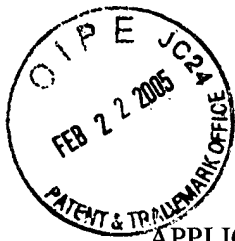


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action dated November 22, 2004, Paper No./Mail Date 20041117, please amend the claims as follows and consider the accompanying remarks. This amendment has been prepared in accordance with the amendment format of 37 CFR §1.121 to place the application in condition for allowance.